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There is a time for everything. With us it is time to sell Surries, Carriages, Phaetons, Harness, Saddles, Bridles, Lap Robes, Whips and other needed articles for people who enjoy driving. Now that the winter rains are about over it is time for the people who enjoy cool afternoon drives to buy the above articles. We sell 'em.

LAKE CHARLES CARRIAGE AND IMPLEMENT CO.

PEARL STREET.

STORM AT PARIS.

Paris, Texas, May 23.—A severe electric storm prevailed in this vicinity last night, accompanied by a very heavy rainfall. Lightning struck the barn on the farm rented by A. Freeman, southwest of town, and the building and all contents, two horses and a lot of feed was destroyed. At Hetty, fifteen miles west of here, there was quite a severe wind storm. A church was blown from the foundation. The rain is bad for the farmers, for their crops are already in the grass.

VETERANS AT WACO.

Waco, May 23.—The Mexican war veterans and McLennan county old settlers association are holding joint session to-day. A big basket dinner was held; speeches were made, and a general good time was indulged in. Not more than half of the veterans were able to attend the reunion on account of old age and increasing infirmities.

The Locomotive Firemen local lodge held their annual picnic at Walnut Springs, on the Texas Central railroad today. There was a big excursion.

The Irish potato crop in this county is immense.

NO MORE BILLS.

San Antonio, May 23.—The San Antonio National bank has informed R. A. Campbell, internal revenue collector, that no more one dollar bills will be received by the bank from him.

Mrs. Wilkinson, the woman assaulted by a negro in the bushes while returning from church at 10 o'clock Sunday night, May 14, identified a negro this morning. The police caught him Saturday and found his coat hat covered with blood spots. His clothing was also identified by Mrs. Wilkinson.

The sunset passenger was in slight wreck at Loxley this morning early. Mail car wrecked, but nobody hurt.

GOT IT IN THE NECK.

Houston, May 23.—Edith Austin put up a very wicked fight with Ida Jackson in the hollow this morning. The women first assaulted each other with fists, but when Ida was getting the best of the fracas, Edith drew a razor and with one swift encircled the back of Ida's neck making an ugly gash extending from ear to ear. Edith was under the influence of cocaine.

Henry M. Walker of the Galveston-Houston Labor Journal returned from Beaumont this morning, whither he accompanied Eugene V. Debs, who spoke there last night. Mr. Walker says the labor leader was greatly impressed with the wonderful resources and great possibilities of Texas, and the enterprise and hospitality of her people, and carry away with him pleasant recollections of his visit. "Wherever I go I will always have a good word to say about Texas," he said to Mr. Walker. "The Lone Star State is the grandest in the union."

Buy a lot in Arlington.

LEGISLATIVE GRIST.

Austin, May 23.—The house has spent all morning considering its bill providing for the legal organization of labor, without final action up till noon.

In the senate the special committee to investigate charges of mismanagement against the superintendent of the colored deaf and dumb asylum in this city, reported exonerating him from any blame at all.

The senate has spent the entire morning meeting and immediately taking a recess for half an hour at a time in order to avoid voting on house bill providing for location of an industrial school for girls, which is pending business.

At noon today the free conference committee on the general appropriation bill completed its labors by accepting a compromise on the State university appropriation fixing the amount at \$40,000 and giving the rangers \$30,000. Chairman Henderson, of the house finance committee, gave notice that he would dissent, which means that the fight will be taken into the two houses now.

Arlington addition is now ready.

Join the Texas Loan and Investment company, Will P. Oldham, agent.

Real Estate Transfers.

Port Arthur Land company to E. T. Hoyt, lot 3, block 8, city of Port Arthur, \$600.

Port Arthur Land company to Fred Botcher and G. K. Riess, lot 5, block 15, Port Arthur, \$400.

Beaumont Improvement company to W. A. Davis, lots 7 and 8, block 65 of the North addition, \$175.

A. E. Stillwell to E. T. Hoyt, lot 7, block 500, Port Arthur, \$250.

C. M. Oliver and wife to James Steward, a tract of land out of the David Brown league, \$150.

J. M. Page to Sallie B. Cooks, 640 acres of land out of the Josiah Dyches survey, \$95.

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PHILIPPINE COMMISSION.

Manila, May 22.—Prof. Schurman of the Philippine commission has submitted the following written propositions to the Philippines:

"While the final decision as to the form of government is in the hands of congress, the president, under his military powers, pending the action of congress, stands ready to offer the following form of government:

"A governor general to be appointed by the president; a cabinet, to be appointed by the governor general; the heads of departments and judges to be either Americans or Filipinos, or both, and also a general advisory council, its members to be chosen by the people by a form of suffrage to be hereafter carefully determined upon.

"The president earnestly desires that the bloodless cease and that the people of the Philippines at an early date enjoy the largest measure of self-government compatible with peace and order."

The United States commission prepared the scheme and the president cabled his approval of the form of the document.

The Filipinos have made no definite propositions except for a cessation of hostilities until they can present the question of peace to the people.

Prof. Schurman told the Filipinos that they must be prepared to accept the conditions existing under the Spanish rule.

Gonzada, president of the Filipino commission, replied that nothing could be worse than Spanish rule, and admitted that the form of the government proposed was liberal.

The civilian members of the Filipino commission have declined to co-operate with the other members of that commission, as the former consider Aguinaldo's latest demand to be most preposterous, after Major General Otis' refusal to an armistice, referring to his wish for time in order to consult the Filipino congress.

After the conference tomorrow with the United States commissioners, the Filipino commissioners will lunch with President Schurman and will afterwards visit the vessels composing the American fleet.

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LIBERTY NORMAL.

Principal H. B. Stegall, of Cleveland; History, Physics, Physiology, and Moral Science.

Principal C. A. Neville, of Hempstead; Book-keeping, Mathematics, Chemistry, and Psychology.

Miss Clara Bartholomew, of Beaumont; Primary Methods, School and Composition.

Other subjects will be assigned to the different members of the faculty as the necessities of the school may demand.

The conductor and teachers were selected by a committee appointed for that purpose. Thorough scholarship and experience in normal work were sought, and every patron of the school will endorse the selection.

Principal H. B. Stegall needs no introduction to the teachers in this part of Texas. He has taken a prominent part in half a dozen normal schools.

Principal C. A. Neville has had thirty years' experience in the school room—four exclusively in normal work.

Miss Clara Bartholomew has made a specialty of primary work, and her excellent work in the Woodville school has evinced superior ability and inexhaustible resources.

General Information—expenses: Board for the session, \$10.00; Tuition, in advance, \$5.00; Examination fee, \$1.00.

Teachers should bring text books on the subjects they desire to study.

Instruction in the branches for permanent certificates will be given if there is sufficient demand.

Liberty has an excellent school building, well supplied with globes, maps, charts, etc.

For further information, write to County Superintendent M. D. Rayburn, or to the conductor, or

C. F. STEVENS, B. F. CAMERON, Ex. Committee, Liberty, Texas.

Storm at Fort Worth.

Fort Worth, Texas, May 23.—The hardest wind-storm of years was experienced after midnight last night. Trees, signs and electric wires suffered great damage.

San Antonio Locals.

San Antonio, Texas, May 23.—Juan Reyers, a Mexican, was put in the city hospital last evening suffering from poisoned whiskey. Later in the night his comrade was arrested suspected of having administered drugs in the whiskey.

To the Merchants of Beaumont.

Did you hear what Debs said about the Tobacco Trust company? Why pay them 10 cents per pound more when you can get it from G. M. Coale, agent for an anti trust company at that much less per pound.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

The city school board met in regular session at the mayor's office on May 22, 1899, with the following members present: Mayor D. P. Wheat, president; F. A. Dowlen, secretary; T. W. Shepherd, M. Hecht, Dr. J. S. Price, Dr. B. F. Calhoun, and Jas. H. Rachford.

Minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved. Superintendent F. A. Parker submitted his May report, and on motion same was read and filed.

Committee to visit Geo. C. O'Brien, trustee of Jefferson county school land, reported that the county judge had lately turned over to the city treasurer \$708.49 and that the commissioner's court had passed an order at its May term instructing Geo. C. O'Brien, trustee, to sell Jefferson county school land at trustees sale according to the stipulations of the deed of trust.

On motion the committee on finance was instructed to borrow \$1000 to pay all unpaid claims against the city schools for the year 1898, and to have a little cash in the treasury to defray expenses during the summer.

On motion it was decided by the board to reserve the right to require any teacher to resign at any time during the term, providing said teachers are failing to give satisfaction to the board.

On motion the board adjourned to meet on Monday at 2 o'clock, p. m., May 29.

To the Honorable Executive School Board, of the City of Beaumont: Beaumont, Texas, May 22.—Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith, the report of the public school for the month ending May 19, 1899.

The progress as a whole has been satisfactory, the month being devoted to a general review and to the examinations. Written questions were made out for all grades above the third grade, and consequently the questions used in the examinations were the same throughout the different schools. About one half of each day for the last three weeks was devoted to training the children for mental exercises which took place at the opera house, on the night of May 19. The Opera House was crowded, and I believe the audience as a whole was well pleased with the entertainment.

The per centage of attendance during the month was 92 per cent, which is a gratifying showing, but the attendance itself was small. This, however, is not peculiar to Beaumont; in a climate as warm as ours, the attendance dwindles as the warm weather approaches. There were but forty-five cases of tardiness in all the schools for the entire month. The colored school has shown an especially gratifying decrease.

It will not be necessary for any appropriation to be made to pay the expenses of the school entertainment, as they have been paid out of the tuition fees collected.

At the next meeting of the school board I will submit an annual report dealing fully with everything relating to the schools.

Trusting this report will meet with your approval I have the honor to be Very respectfully yours,

F. A. PARKER, Superintendent Public Schools.

To the Honorable City School Board, of the City of Beaumont.

F. A. Parker, superintendent of schools, has the honor of submitting to you for your kind consideration the following report, showing the enrollment, belongings, attendance, tardiness, discipline, progress and needs of the Beaumont public schools for the month ending May 19, 1899:

North End School, enrolled, 194 boys, 223 girls; average belongings, 101.2 boys, 131.6 girls; average attendance, 96.5 boys, 117.8 girls; per cent of attendance, 91.

South End School, enrollment, 101 boys, 118 girls; average belongings, 66 boys, 82 girls; average attendance, 69.9 boys, 81.8 girls; per cent of attendance, 91.

Colored School, enrollment, 130 boys, 127 girls; average belongings, 94 boys, 83 girls; average attendance, 83 boys, 77 girls; per cent of attendance, 92.

Arlington addition is now ready.

Home-made baking done to order by Mrs. Evans, Mulberry street, between Pine and Walnut, up stairs.

Buy a lot in Arlington.

Music For the Fourth.

President Mothner has contracted with Herb's Military band of Houston to furnish music on the Fourth of July. This is one of the finest bands in the state, and will furnish splendid music for the occasion.

The Constellation orchestra has been engaged to furnish music for the dancers that night, which assures good music for that occasion also.

Do you want to go to Chicago with K. B. Pierce's party June 1 at a low rate? If so you must apply at once at the music store next to the postoffice. K. B. Pierce, Beaumont, Texas.

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Something sweet and delicious—VAN HOUTEN'S CHOCOLATES.

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The latest reading matter

always in stock, and whatever I have not got I cheerfully order for you and save you the trouble of correspondence.

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The Season

At the Seaside will open soon, and the lady not provided with a Bathing Suit WON'T BE IN IT—that is, the surf. We have something that will

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Reliable One Price Cash Store.

5th week! Bargain sale!

From Saturday, May 13, to Saturday, May 20.

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